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To explore the clinical effects of pedicled omental flap transplantation in repairing secondary rejection wounds after brain pacemaker implantation.

A retrospective observational study was conducted. From January to August 2021, 5 patients with secondary rejection wounds after deep brain stimulation implantation who met the inclusion criteria were admitted to the Wound Repair Center of Ruijin Hospital of Shanghai Jiao Tong University School of Medicine, including 3 males and 2 females, aged 56-69 years, with the wound developed at the pulse generator implantation site in the chest in 2 cases, at the connection site of the wire and electrode behind the ear in 2 cases, and at both the chest and the back of the ear in 1 case. All the wounds were repaired by pedicled omental flap transplantation. The wound area after debridement was 2-15 cm2. After the operation, wound healing and related complications (pain, infection, incisional hernia, omental flap necrosis, etc.) were observed. During follow-up, the recurrence of the wound was observed. The wounds of all 5 patients healed within 2 weeks after the operation, without related complications. During follow-up of 12-18 months, 1 patient got a recurrence of rejection wound behind the left ear 4 months after surgery and eventually had the brain pacemaker removed; the other 4 patients had no recurrence of wounds. Pedicled omental flap transplantation can repair the secondary rejection wounds after brain pacemaker implantation safely and effectively, with few postoperative complications ¹⁾.

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